

## CITY OF MERCED

City Council Chamber Merced Civic Center 2nd Floor 678 W. 18th Street Merced, CA 95340

## **Minutes**

## City Council/Public Finance and Economic Development Authority/ Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency

Monday, August 4, 2025

6:00 PM

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor SERRATTO called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

A.1. Invocation - Shahid Sohail, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

The Invocation was delivered by Shahid SOHAIL of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Newly Appointed Fire Chief Casey WILSON led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **B. ROLL CALL**

**Clerk's Note:** Council Member SMITH arrived to the Regular Meeting at 6:21 PM.

Present: 7 - Mayor Matthew Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Sarah Boyle, Council Member Darin

Dupont, Council Member Ronnie DeAnda, Council Member Michael Harris, Council

Member Shane Smith, and Council Member Fue Xiong

Absent: 0

B.1. In accordance with Government Code 54952.3, it is hereby announced that the City Council sits either simultaneously or serially as the Parking Authority, the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency. City Council members receive a monthly stipend of \$500.00 by Charter for sitting as the City Council; and the Mayor receives an additional \$100.00 each month as a part of the adopted budget and Resolution 2024-78. The members of the Parking Authority, the Public Financing and Economic Development Authority, and the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency receive no compensation.

#### C. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

C.1. SUBJECT: <u>Presentation from the City of Merced Fire Department on Independence Day Holiday Response and Fireworks Enforcement</u>

REPORT IN BRIEF

Merced Fire Department and Merced Police Department worked together to enforce the City of Merced Ordinance on fireworks. Chief Wilson will make a brief presentation on the public inputs and enforcement results. The presentation will include a summary of response activity for the 4th of July.

Fire Chief Casey WILSON gave a slideshow presentation on the Independence Day Holiday Response and Fireworks Enforcement.

Clerk's Note: There was no Council discussion.

#### D. CEREMONIAL MATTERS

D.1. SUBJECT: Certificate of Recognition for the 2010 Girls NPL Team for

Merced United for being the Clubs First National Premier League Level

Team - Requested By Mayor Serratto

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Accepted by the 2010 Girls NPL Team from Merced United.

Mayor SERRATTO presented Certificates of Recognition to the 2010 Girls NPL Team for Merced United.

D.2. SUBJECT: Proclamation - National Health Center Week

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Received by representatives from the Golden Valley Health Centers.

Mayor SERRATTO presented the National Health Center Week Proclamation to members of the Golden Valley Health Centers.

## **E. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Clerk's Note:** Emails were received for the following agenda item and forwarded to Council prior to the meeting.

Public Comment: Curtis THOMAS and Jerry PEREZCHICA.

#### F. PUBLIC COMMENT

Necola ADAMS, Merced - shared details of the Merced County Nut Festival.

Karthik PRASAD, Representative of Congressman Adam GRAY, Merced - shared updates from Washington D.C. and details of the new office of Congressman Adam GRAY.

Curtis THOMAS, Merced - gave a slideshow presentation on the cost

breakdown of the City's adopted budget for fiscal year 2024-2025.

Chief of Police Steven STANFIELD - presented the recovery of the stolen Applegate Zoo sign to Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN and presented coins to the detectives on the case for their hard work.

Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN - thanked Merced Police Department for the recovery of the Applegate Zoo sign.

#### G. CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items G.8. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the City of Merced and Merced City School District (MCSD) for Police Services in the District's Schools for a Term of Three Years, Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028, G.9. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the City of Merced and Merced Community College District (MCCD) for Police Services at the College for a Term of Three Years, Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028, and G.11. Second Reading and Final Adoption of an Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map by Rezoning Approximately 5.0 Acres of Land Generally Located on the South Side of East Childs Avenue, Approximately 780 Feet East of Coffee Street, from Neighborhood Commercial to Low Density Residential; were pulled for separate consideration.

#### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, seconded by Council Member Dupont, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, Council Member Smith, and Council Member Xiona

**No**: 0

Absent: 0

## G.1. SUBJECT: Reading by Title of All Ordinances and Resolutions

## **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Ordinances and Resolutions which appear on the public agenda shall be determined to have been read by title and a summary title may be read with further reading waived.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council** - Adopt a motion waiving the reading of Ordinances and Resolutions, pursuant to Section 412 of the Merced City Charter.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.2. SUBJECT: Information Only Contracts for the Month of July 2025

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Notification of awarded Non-Public Works contracts under \$38,000 and of Public Works contracts under \$85,161.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.3. SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Public Financing and

Economic Development/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the

Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes of April 7, 2025

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Official adoption of previously held meeting minutes.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council/Public Financing and Economic

Development/Parking Authority/Successor Agency to the

Redevelopment Agency - Adopt a motion approving the meeting minutes of April 7, 2025.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.4. SUBJECT: Approval to Purchase One (1) New Asphalt Zipper

420X-173H Gen 8 with Accu-Trak Wheel Assist, and Necessary

Attachment Equipment, from Asphalt Zipper in the Amount of

\$237,955.15 for the Streets Division

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving the purchase of one (1) new Asphalt Zipper 420X-173H Gen 8 with Accu-Trak Wheel Assist, and necessary attachment equipment, in the amount of \$237,955.15. Staff has identified the need to add this piece of equipment, which will assist in the Street Division's operation through the cost savings of a government procurement program (H-GAC).

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving the City's competitive bidding requirement as permitted by Merced Municipal Code section 3.04.210 and authorizing the purchase to be made with a cooperative purchase agreement through H-GAC, a government procurement program; and,
- B. Approving the purchase of one (1) new Asphalt Zipper 420X-173H Gen 8 with Accu-Trak Wheel Assist, and Necessary Attachment Equipment, in the amount of \$237,955.15 from Asphalt Zipper, through H-GAC contract #SM10-20 Street Maintenance Equipment; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute any necessary documents for the purchase specified above; and,
- D. Authorizing the issuance of the Purchase Order, and approval of change orders not to exceed 10% of the total purchase price.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.5.

SUBJECT: Approval of Additional Contingency in the amount of \$185,910 for Additional Streetlights for the Safe Streets Streetlight Retrofit, Project Number CP230002

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving proposed Change Order 2 with Tennyson Electric LLC, for additional contingency in the amount of \$185,910 for Project Number CP230002 - Safe Streets Streetlight Retrofit.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving proposed Change Order 2 with Tennyson Electric LLC, for additional contingency funding in the amount of \$185,910, for a total contingency amount of \$404,660 which is approximately 37% of the original contract amount; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.6.

SUBJECT: Approval of an Order Form for Lease and Subscription

Based Technology Arrangement (SBITA) Management Software
with Fifth Asset, Inc. DBA DebtBook in the Amount of \$49,500 Over

Three Years with an Option to Extend for Two Additional One-Year
Terms

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an Order Form for lease and SBITA management software with Fifth Asset, Inc. DBA DebtBook, in the amount of \$16,500 annually for an additional three years totaling \$49,500 with an option to extend for two additional one-year terms through waiving a competitive bidding requirement pursuant to the City's Municipal Code.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Waiving a competitive bidding requirement as stated in Section 3.04.210 of the Merced Municipal Code due to established use and operation efficiency; and,
- B. Approving an Order Form for lease and SBITA management software with Fifth Asset, Inc. DBA DebtBook, in the amount of \$16,500 annually for three years totaling \$49,500; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

  This Consent Item was approved.
- G.7. SUBJECT: Approval of a Legal Service Agreement for Bond
  Counsel and Disclosure Counsel with Jones Hall LLP

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Considers approving the Legal Service Agreement with Jones Hall LLP to provide Bond and Disclosure Counsel services.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Approving a Legal Service Agreement with Jones Hall LLP for Bond and Disclosure Counsel services; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

  This Consent Item was approved.
- G.10. SUBJECT: Consideration of the First Reading of an Ordinance

Amending Chapters 15.08 and 15.40 of the Merced Municipal Code to Extend the Time During Which the City Will Refund Certain

Payments for Water and Sewer Lines to the University of

California, Merced

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers introducing an Ordinance that proposes revisions to Chapters 15.08 and 15.40 of the Merced Municipal Code to Extend the time during which the City will refund certain payments for water and sewer lines to the University of California, Merced.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council -** Adopt a motion:

A. Introducing **Ordinance 2580**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, Amending Chapters 15.08 and 15.40 of the Merced Municipal Code to Extend The Time During Which The City Will Refund Certain Payments for Water and Sewer Lines To The University of California Merced; and,

B. Setting the Ordinance for a second reading and adoption.

This Consent Item was approved.

G.8. SUBJECT: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Between the City of Merced and Merced City School District

(MCSD) for Police Services in the District's Schools for a Term of

Three Years, Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an MOU between Merced City School District and the City of Merced to provide Police Services at the District's schools with two (2) School Resource Officers (SRO).

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Merced and Merced City School District to provide police services in the district's schools; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

Mayor SERRATTO pulled this item at the request of Council Member XIONG.

**Clerk's Note:** Mayor SERRATTO stated that Council will hear Agenda Items G.8.and G.9. together.

Council Member XIONG discussed that Merced Police Officers should focus on City work and school districts should source security for enforcement on school sites.

**Clerk's Note:** Council made a motion for Agenda Items G.8. and G.9. together.

A motion was made by Council Member Dupont, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, and Council Member Smith

No: 1 - Council Member Xiong

Absent: 0

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G.9.

SUBJECT: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Between the City of Merced and Merced Community College

District (MCCD) for Police Services at the College for a Term of

Three Years, Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers approving an MOU between the Merced Community College District and the City of Merced to provide Police Services at the College with a Police Lieutenant or Police Sergeant.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Merced and Merced Community College District to provide police services at the College; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Mayor SERRATTO pulled this item at the request of Council Member XIONG.

**Clerk's Note:** Mayor SERRATTO stated that Council will hear Agenda Items G.8.and G.9. together.

**Clerk's Note:** Council made a motion for Agenda Items G.8. and G.9. together.

A motion was made by Council Member Dupont, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, and Council Member Smith

No: 1 - Council Member Xiong

Absent: 0

G.11.

SUBJECT: Second Reading and Final Adoption of an Ordinance
Amending the Official Zoning Map by Rezoning Approximately 5.0
Acres of Land Generally Located on the South Side of East Childs
Avenue, Approximately 780 Feet East of Coffee Street, from
Neighborhood Commercial to Low Density Residential

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Second reading and final adoption of an Ordinance amending the official Zoning Map by rezoning approximately 5.0 acres of land generally located on the south side of East Childs Avenue, approximately 780 feet east of Coffee Street, from Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) to Low Density Residential (R-1-5).

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion approving Ordinance 2579, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merced, California, amending the official Zoning Map by rezoning approximately 5.0 acres of land generally located on the south side of East Childs Avenue, approximately 780 feet east of Coffee Street, from Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) to Low Density Residential (R-1-5).

Mayor SERRATTO pulled this item at the request of Council Member XIONG and Council Member SMITH.

**Clerk's Note:** Council Member SMITH recused himself due to the applicant being a client at his law firm.

Council Member XIONG requested separate consideration.

A motion was made by Council Member Dupont, seconded by Mayor Pro

Tempore Boyle, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council

Member DeAnda, and Council Member Harris

No: 1 - Council Member Xiong

Absent: 0

Recused: 1 - Council Member Smith

#### H. ACTION ITEMS

H.1. SUBJECT: Authorization to Accept and Appropriate \$14,344 in Grant
Funds From the FY2023 State Homeland Security Grant Program
(SHSGP) for the Merced Police Department to Purchase Three (3)
Helicopter Helmets

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Considers acceptance of grant funding from the FY2023 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) for the Merced Police Department in the amount of \$14,344.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Accepting FY 2023 SHSGP grant funds in the amount of \$14,344; and,
- B. Approving increase in revenue in the amount of \$14,344 in Fund 1000-General Fund (Police Division) and appropriating the same to purchase three (3) helicopter helmets; and,
- C. Authorizing the use of pooled cash until grant funds are reimbursed; and,
- D. Authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents.

Merced Police Lieutenant Kalvin HAYGOOD briefly discussed the authorization to accept and appropriate grant funds from the FY2023 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) for the purchase of helicopter helmets.

Clerk's Note: There was no Council discussion.

Clerk's Note: This Agenda Item required five affirmative votes from

#### Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Council Member Smith, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, and Council Member Smith

No: 1 - Council Member Xiong

Absent: 0

H.2. SUBJECT: Award Bid to Juarez Brothers General Engineering, Inc.,

for Santa Fe Strip Park Sidewalk Yosemite to Black Rascal, Project

Number CP220021, and the Santa Fe Strip Park Speed Table Project

CP230004, in the Amount of \$519,879.33

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers awarding a Construction Contract to Juarez Brothers General Engineering, Inc, in the amount of \$519,879.33 for the Santa Fe Strip Park Sidewalk Yosemite to Black Rascal and Santa Fe Strip Park Speed Table, Project Numbers CP220021 & CP230004.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

A. Awarding the Construction Contract for Santa Fe Strip Park Sidewalk Yosemite to Black Rascal, Projects CP220021 & CP230004, to Juarez Brothers General Engineering, Inc, in the amount of \$519,879.33; and,

B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents and to approve change orders not to exceed 15% of the total contract.

Senior Engineer Richard MADDOX briefly discussed the bid to Juarez Brothers General Engineering Inc. for the Santa Fe Strip Park Sidewalk, Project Number CP220021.

Council and Mr. MADDOX discussed details of the project and the need for construction on the Santa Fe Strip Park sidewalk.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, seconded by Council Member Smith, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, Council Member Smith, and Council Member Xiong

**No:** 0

Absent: 0

H.3.

SUBJECT: Accepting Grant Funding in the Amount of \$1,000 for FY
2024-2025 from Merced County First 5- Community Engagement
Event Sponsorship Program for Free Fundamental Baseball Clinics for
T-Ball

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers accepting grant funding in the amount of \$1,000 from First 5 Merced County Fundamental Baseball Clinic for T-Ball to expand no cost recreational programing to youth.

#### RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Accepting grant funds from First 5 Merced County in the amount of \$1,000; and,
- B. Approval to increase revenue in Fund 1018-Parks and Community Service, Contribution Account in the amount of \$1,000; and,
- C. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

Director of Parks and Community Services Chris JENSEN briefly discussed the acceptance of grant funding from Merced County First 5 for Community Engagement Event Sponsorship Program.

Clerk's Note: There was no Council discussion.

**Clerk's Note:** This Agenda Item required five affirmative votes from Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Dupont, seconded by Council Member Harris, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, Council Member Smith, and Council Member Xiong

**No:** 0

Absent: 0

#### H.4.

SUBJECT: Reconsider Selection of Logo for the Merced General Plan

Update and Downtown Station Area Plan

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers reviewing new logos and selecting a logo prepared for the Merced General Plan Update and Downtown Station Area Plan

#### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council -** Adopt a motion selecting a logo or logos from options for the branding of the Merced General Plan Update and Downtown Station Area Plan.

City Manager Scott MCBRIDE and Acting Planning Manager Jonnie LAN gave a slideshow presentation on the Merced General Plan Update and Downtown Station Area Plan updated project logo selection prepared by the Arts and Culture Advisory Commission.

Patricia PRATT, Merced - spoke on the history of the Welcome to Merced sign, the direction given by Council at the previous Council meeting, and opposed the logos presented by City staff.

Council and Mrs. LAN discussed the conversation held at the previous Council meeting, details of all the logo options, local artists participating in the creation of the logo, and choosing a big and small logo for the project.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, to approve Options 2 and 3 presented by City staff. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, and Council Member Smith

No: 1 - Council Member Xiong

Absent: 0

## I. BUSINESS

# I.1. SUBJECT: Mayor Serratto's Request to Discuss a Food Vendor Ordinance

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Mayor Serratto's request to discuss a food vendor ordinance.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Provide direction to staff on the next steps.

I.2.

Mayor SERRATTO and City Attorney Craig CORNWELL briefly discussed the request for a Food Vendor Ordinance, the current ordinance for street vendors, and bringing a draft ordinance in 60 days for review.

Curtis THOMAS, Merced - spoke in support of the vendors that pop up around his area because of the ability to walk or ride your bike to the destinations and asked Council to not take away food vendors in the City.

Ashley SUAREZ, Merced - spoke on street vendors being part of the community, certain communities being targeted with the restrictions put in place, and suggested making the process accessible.

Council, Chief of Police Steven STANFIELD, and City Manager Scott MCBRIDE discussed economic fairness in established areas, the health and safety risks of un-permitted street vendors, assisting the community to navigate the process, creating an easier process to obtain the correct permitting, and clarifying the Food Truck Ordinance. They also discussed calls for service the Merced Police Department receives for food vendors, meeting the health and safety requirements, the majority of complaints the Merced Police Department responds to, and addressing the safety hazard of food vendors.

Mr. CORNWELL stated he will present a draft for Council to review within 60 days.

SUBJECT: Council Member Smith's Request to Discuss How Goals
and Priorities and the Town Halls Should Be Organized with the Budget
Process and Exploring Options for a Biennial Budget Cycle

## **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Council Member Smith's request to discuss how Goals and Priorities and Town Halls should be organized with the budget process and exploring options for a biennial budget cycle.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Provide direction to staff on the next steps.

Council Member SMITH briefly discussed the request for Council discussion on how Goals and Priorities and the Town Hall meetings should be organized, the current budget process, and the options for a biennial budget cycle.

Council, City Manager Scott MCBRIDE, and Finance Officer Venus RODRIGUEZ discussed details on the steps of changing the budget cycle,

potentially setting a two-year operating budget, the impact a two-year operating budget would have on City staff, the impact on how the budget is brought to Council and the public, the challenges of an annual budget, the process of adopting Goals and Priorities, the community feedback from Town Hall meetings, and potentially changing the months of Town Hall meetings.

Ashley SUAREZ, Merced - shared the community's concerns of lack of transparency and community input, spoke on the funding that is allocated annually, and asked for more community engagement.

Curtis THOMAS, Merced - spoke in opposition of the proposed change in the budget cycle, the proposed two year budget cycle, and asked for more community engagement.

Council, Mr. MCBRIDE, and Mrs. RODRIGUEZ discussed connecting community feedback, sharing updates throughout the fiscal year, the potential changes with a two-year budget cycle, aligning the needs of Department heads and the community during Goals and Priorities, the process of drafting Goals and Priorities, hosting quarterly Town Hall meetings, planning a long range plan for the budget cycle, the time frame of choosing Town Hall meetings, presenting updates on prior year Goals and Priorities, projects that take staff time, and the process of Goals and Priorities.

Council agreed to not move to a biennial budget cycle, directing staff to plan for a long range budget cycle, to receive a presentation on the budget process by the Finance Officer at the September 15th Council meeting, choosing dates for Town Hall meetings and the Strategic Planning meeting in November/December, and a plan to present the Five Year Forecast and a draft budget the first meeting in January, host Town Halls, then host the Strategic Planning Session with a narrow approach focused on budget.

## I.3. SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda

#### REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the City Council to request that an item be placed on a future City Council agenda for initial consideration by the City Council.

Clerk's Note: There were no items added to a future agenda.

## I.4. SUBJECT: City Council Comments

#### **REPORT IN BRIEF**

Provides an opportunity for the Mayor and/or Council Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the City and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

Council Member DEANDA shared personal life updates.

Council Member SMITH thanked the Merced Police Department for finding the Appegate Zoo bear sign, spoke on attending meetings with constituents regarding the AT&T cell tower placement, shared details of the community meeting held by the developer of the proposed project behind the Surgery Center, and spoke on the city expanding.

Council Member HARRIS thanked the Merced Police Department for bringing home the Applegate Zoo bear sign.

Council Member DUPONT thanked the Merced Police Department for finding the Appegate Zoo bear sign and spoke on the construction sites on D Street and the Child's Multi-Use Pathway.

Mayor Pro Tempore BOYLE thanked the Merced Police Department for finding the Appegate Zoo bear sign.

#### J. ADJOURNMENT

Clerk's Note: The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, seconded by Council Member Dupont, that this Regular Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mayor Serratto, Mayor Pro Tempore Boyle, Council Member Dupont, Council Member DeAnda, Council Member Harris, Council Member Smith, and Council Member Xiong

**No:** 0

Absent: 0